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The Weekly Bulletin for Great Baddow High School

HEAD LINES

WINTER CHARITY APPEAL

We continue to collect items for the Great Baddow High School winter charity appeal for Chelmsford Foodbank. All donations must be received by 10th December. Thank you for your support.

LIBRARY XMAS COMPETITION

Students have another week to read any books relating to Christmas and create their creative reviews. These will be put up around the school and we look forward to seeing them up on display.

CRISP PACKET RECYCLING

Last week we shipped another batch of recycled crisp packets to Terracycle. There were 1220 packets and thank you to all staff and students who continue to bring them in. Please carry on supporting our recycling efforts and we would encourage students to bring your empty packets in from home and pass them on to their tutors.

SPORTS CLUBS TIMETABLE

	BEFORE SCHOOL 7:45AM - 8:30AM	AFTER SCHOOL (4.30 finish) unless otherwise stated
Monday	8 girls football - IS	8 girls basketball - 4.30 - FR 8 boys football / rugby - 4.30 - FR
Tuesday	7 boys rugby - WGN/DBT 7 girls dance - 4.30 - HNC 8 girls netball - 4.30 - FR	7 boys football - 4.30 - DBT/RSJ/WGN 7 girls basketball - 4.30 - FR/SMH
Wednesday	PE Department Meeting	10 boys football - 4.30 RSJ/WGN 10 girls netball - 4.30 - FR
Thursday	8 boys basketball - 4.30 - HNC/RSJ 8 girls football - 4.30 - HNC/RSJ	8 boys basketball - 4.30 - DBT/RSJ 8 girls netball - 4.30 - SMH/RSJ 8 boys basketball - 4.30 - HNC/DBT
Friday	7 girls football - FR/SMH	8 boys football / rugby - 4.30 - HNC/DBT 8 girls netball - 4.30 - SMH/DBT 7 boys basketball - 4.30 - HNC/DBT 7 girls netball - 4.30 - COPPSMH/RSJ

Dear Parent,

It is long overdue but, finally, we welcome the news about Year 11 and Year 13 examinations this summer. The announcement made by the Minister for Education, Gavin Williamson, yesterday confirms that examinations will take place three weeks later than normal with more generous grade boundaries and advanced notice of some topic areas.

I hope this announcement comes as some relief to students and parents as the lack of clarity has built anxiety for many months due to the uncertainty. Please be reassured that we have been working in anticipation of the examinations taking place this summer and revision and catch up sessions are firmly embedded to support our students.

I would like to thank everyone for their support with remote learning when students have had to learn from home. A virtual Year 11 Parents' Evening with subject specific staff will be taking place on 9th December so please ensure that you have booked appointments in line with the guidance provided.

Students in our Sixth Form have produced the first ever Sixth Form magazine called the 'The Eagle'. The students initiated the idea, researched the content and edited the first publication that will be released to students and staff as a pilot next week. Further editions will be posted on our website for the school community to enjoy.

Exciting plans are also underway to promote the Creative Arts at Great Baddow High School with students busy filming performances in Music and Drama and contributing Artwork for the new Microsoft Stream channel that students can view on the Portal.

Various activities have been planned in the run up to the end of term, to include; Christmas jumper day, our virtual Christmas Carol service and Christmas dinner that we hope will bring some much needed cheer during this festive season.

Take care.

Mr Paul Farmer, Headteacher

SIXTH FORM APPLICATION DEADLINE

A reminder that the deadline for applications for Great Baddow High School Sixth Form is Friday 11th December. Lunchtime question and answer sessions will take place next week and a schedule will be given to Year 11 on Monday morning. If you have a child in Year 11, we recommend you watch the Virtual Tour and Head of Sixth Form video on our [website](#) and the presentations from any of the subject areas that they are interested in studying.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR - B

The Parent Calendar for the Autumn Term: [School Calendar](#)

Day	Date	School Activity
Monday	7 Dec	
Tuesday	8 Dec	
Wednesday	9 Dec	Year 11 Virtual Parents' evening Year 9 termly grade to parents
Thursday	10 Dec	Year 8 termly grade to parents
Friday	11 Dec	Sixth Form application deadline

DIARY DATES

AUTUMN TERM

Term Ends:
Friday 18th December 2020

SPRING TERM

Term Begins:
Monday 4th January 2021
Half Term:
Monday 15th February 2021- Friday 19th February 2021
Term Ends:
Friday 26th March 2021

